

BOTH TURN ON COP, HE KILLS HUSBAND

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—One of the defendants in the Fifth ward murder conspiracy again figures as the defendant in the killing of a man, Louis Feldman, a policeman of the Second and Christian streets station and one of those convicted at West Chester, was arraigned in the Central police court on the charge of slaying Joseph Berowski.

Feldman shot and killed Berowski in self-defense, he claims. While patrolling his beat, the policeman was attracted to the Berowski home by calls for help. He found Berowski beating Mrs. Berowski.

When the policeman attempted to protect the woman, it was testified, both husband and wife turned upon him. One clipped him on the forehead with a hatchet. The other struck him with a stove grate.

Feldman reached for his blackjack. He did not have it with him. Then he drew his revolver and shot several times at the ceiling. Berowski continued to attack Feldman, and finally the policeman fired a bullet into him.

Grapple, Bell Down Stairs.

This narrative of the shooting, obtained by detectives mostly from Mrs. Berowski's story, was related by District Detective Bluebond when Feldman and the woman were arraigned in the Central police court. Feldman was held without bail to await the action of the coroner.

After shooting his assailant Feldman took the woman to the street and turned her over to the custody of Sergeant Yelin. He then returned to the house, where Berowski, with a bullet in his abdomen, renewed the fight. Feldman told Bluebond. They grappled with each other until they reached the stairs leading to the cellar. They fell down these stairs locked in each other's arms. There they were found by Policemen McCort and Damarco.

Berowski died at the Pennsylvania Hospital. Mrs. Berowski and Feldman, after having their injuries dressed, were arrested. At the hearing of the policeman before Magistrate Meekery, the woman's blackened eye and discolored features and Feldman's bandaged head gave mute evidence of the struggle. Mrs. Berowski, a Polish woman about forty years old, told the police she and her husband had quarreled most of the night. Then he attacked her. She shouted "Murder" and "Help" from the window. Her cries attracted Feldman.

Mrs. Berowski was held in \$1,000 bail on the charge of aggravated assault and battery upon Feldman.

In Election Conspiracy.

The Commonwealth was represented by Assistant District Attorney James Gay Gordon, Jr., who helped prosecute the Fifth ward murder conspiracy case when Lieut. David Bennett, of the Third and Delancey street station; Isaac Deutsch, vice leader of the Fifth ward, and four policemen, including Feldman, were convicted of conspiracy to violate the Sherman act at the September primaries in 1917. It was this violation that resulted in the murder and Detective George A. Epley by gunmen imported from New York.

Following the trial Feldman enlisted in the naval reserve. For some time afterward he was discharged and re-assigned to his old police district.

URGES BRITISH AIR LINES TO COLONIES

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Immediate commencement of preliminary work looking toward aerial transport communication between the United Kingdom and the British dominions throughout the world is urged in the report of the civil aerial transport committee of the air board. The report says inquiries should be made at once regarding routes for airplanes, landing grounds, and airmen, and that a research bureau should be established.

It is emphasized in the report that a preliminary discussion with the dominions and the allied countries on broad questions of principle is necessary.

The committee considers it a matter of urgent necessity to establish a system of propaganda in order to show the peoples of the empire the vast importance and possibilities of aerial transport.

The report adds there is evidence that enemy countries intend to foster an aerial transport system. It says full powers to regulate aerial transport should be given the air ministry.

Dealing with overseas traffic, the committee points out that the dominions and India, owing to their great geographical areas, offer a great field for the development of civil aeronautics.

The waste that makes for want so wasteful is absent from this gift so joyful. Give W. S. S.

OCCULT TEACHER NAMED BY WIFE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Tea House of the Be Kind Associates at Atlantic Highlands, N. J., crept into the news of the Pratt divorce suit in the supreme court yesterday. Mrs. Katherine Sloan Pratt is suing for a divorce from Albert Houghton Pratt, formerly an editor and stockholder of the Houghton-Mifflin Company. She named Mme. P. Mildred Parma as co-respondent. Mme. Parma is a teacher of the occult. Mr. Pratt is a student until, she says, she learned too much.

Capt. Hierforth H. St. John, a youth who said he was engaged in war hospital work at Scopus, N. J., testified about the Tea House of the Be Kind Associates. He said he once acted as caterer to the Tea House, of which Mr. Pratt was secretary, and received part of his pay in board. The young captain told a "story of the occult" of Mme. Parma and greatly benefited from her magic instructions. On two occasions he stayed at Mme. Parma's bungalow, the Little White House. The first time he stayed in the servants' quarters and the second in the Lavender room.

Kid, But Not Feelsibly So.

This he describes as "the sanctum sanctorum of Mme. Parma—the room where she concentrates, or can concentrate, best."

"Did the kindness of the Associates extend to dispensing tea and cakes for nothing?" asked Justice Vernon M. Davis.

"Hardly," said the former caterer. "And to whom did the money go?" "To Mme. Parma."

"Was the enterprise founded in benevolence or commercialism?" "Benevolence, entirely."

Captain St. John now steps out of the crystal and Mr. Pratt appears. Through the medium of a letter he tells something about the Tea House in Atlantic Highlands. He says: "To crystallize the desire to 'Be Kind' into 'Being Kind' and so create happiness is actually being worked out at Atlantic Highlands, N. J."

"A Be Kind House has been established. The ground floor is furnished as a club tea room. A suite of rooms and balcony on the second floor is set aside as an officers' club, with a Japanese chef. This is for the use of all officers of the army and navy who may be staying for a few hours at Atlantic Highlands. Colonel Harris in command at Fort Hancock has accepted for the officers of his garrison."

Materialism of an Ideal.

"Already, through the attraction of the tea room, members have been enrolled from all sections of the United States, and even South America, as well as France and Roumania."

"The whole idea is unusual and fraught with great possibilities. There is no business side; just an ideal materialized."

Along with the letter came some literature about the Be Kind Associates, with the following gems: "Start the day with a cheery smile."

FEATHERS CHINESE INFLUENZA CURE

MARTSVILLE, Cal., Dec. 22.—With the threatened return of the influenza epidemic has come to light one of the methods followed by the Chinese of this city in combating the plague.

"Kill a chicken," say the Chinese. "Soak it in scalding water and pluck the feathers into the water. With the mixture of water and feathers, bathe the patient. In a remarkably brief period of time the eruptions will appear upon the skin of the sick person, which is removed with tepid, clean water at the same time removing the feathers. In twelve hours the patient is out of danger."

Several Chinese declare in all seriousness in the local Chinese colony are quite numerous they admit only one death by this process. Although the cases

CAN'T PHONE, DROPS NOTE FROM PLANE

DAYTON, Ohio, Dec. 22.—A young aviation lieutenant, stationed at a flying field near here, attempted to get into telephonic communication with his sweetheart, employed at a hotel.

His patience wrecked because he could not get the telephone call put through, the lieutenant jumped into an aeroplane, flew over the city, and from a height of 2,000 feet dropped a note to his sweetheart.

The note was attached to a small parachute made from a handkerchief, with a weight at the bottom to bring it to earth.

The letter was picked up and delivered within five minutes. It was marked "Original Air Mail."

WAR CUTS CRIME IN GREAT BRITAIN

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Prison statistics for the year 1917-1918 to June 30 reveal a further decline in volume in England and Wales. Figures for the last ten years have shown a steady lessening in the number of convictions. In the four years of the war period the decrease has been strikingly accelerated.

The following statistics of convictions for the ten year period are contained in the annual report of the prison commissioners:

1908-9, 184,901; 1913-14, 159,434; 1914-15, 170,281; 1915-16, 154,069; 1916-17, 167,983; 1917-18, 154,229; 1918-19, 158,867; 1919-20, 142,478; 1920-21, 150,946; 1921-22, 151,773.

86 Per Cent in 20 Years.

It is a remarkable fact, says the report, that the population of prisons per 100,000 of the population of England and Wales, which was in the first year of the century no less than 464.4, has now sunk to 88.7. The fall of nearly 80 per cent in twenty years must be explained to a great extent by the conditions arising out of a state of war—by the call upon the manhood of the nation, by diverting many from an idle and unprofitable life and by the endless opportunities for employment for those who in ordinary times would not be eligible.

To this may perhaps be added the intense spirit of patriotism pervading all classes, leading men and women to abstain from doing evil and to help the commonwealth by doing actual

STORMS HER HEART, WINS HER WEALTH

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Count Czeki Bala declares that Mrs. Anna Grulich, a comely young Newark widow, who has brought charges of grand larceny against him, is infatuated with him because of his good looks. He says: "Mrs. Grulich knew I was a married man. When I threatened to leave her she insisted I remain and she would start me in business in Newark. I never married her, and never got any money from her except in presents, which sometimes amounted to as much as \$200 in one week."

Mrs. Grulich charges the "Count," whose real name is Louis A. Albroth, tricked her out of \$34,000 after humiliating her by going through a fake marriage in Philadelphia. She testified at the trial before Judge Mulqueen in general sessions.

"I fell an easy victim to his proposal for a secret marriage because of his affability and romantic love-making. He first called at my home after the papers published accounts of my collecting large damages because of the death of my first husband in an automobile accident."

"He tried to sell me an accident insurance policy. He asked to call socially. Afterward he stormed my heart with love messages, and daily sent me beautiful flowers. He was the personification of chivalry and courtesy."

"He told me he was a high officer in the Austrian army and that it

would be necessary to keep our marriage secret. I acquiesced. Gossip tongues soon carried reports to me in my Newark home that the "Count" was married. He denied it and produced his real wife, who said she was merely his housekeeper. He thereafter took me on a trip West. Returning, he soon told me that criminal action was impending against me in Newark because of my nursing work."

"He showed a newspaper bearing an account of a suit for \$20,000 damages for alienation of affections brought against me by his wife. He denied the woman was his wife. "He advised that I draw my money from the bank to save it from attachment and to be ready to furnish bail, if necessary. That night, June 1, he advised that I let him keep the money because a guest was spending the night in our apartment at the Hotel Majestic. I was to meet him the next morning at the Robert Treat Hotel, in Newark. He disappeared. Albroth, it was shown by testimony, on that day met his real wife in Albany, and under the name of Dr. Louis Kelly and wife, journeyed to Toledo, Ohio. There he bought a car and then purchased a farm at Angola, N. Y. He was arrested there under the name of Dr. Horvath."

Old Santa has in his bag THIS year. A little green gift without a peer. W. S. S.

GETS WRONG CAR, GIVEN TWO YEARS

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—Forgetting which motor car he had stolen caused H. E. Mitchell, thirty-six years old, of Winona, Kan., to be delivered into the hands of the police here. He was sentenced to two years in the State penitentiary by Judge R. S. Latahaw.

Mitchell stole a Ford car belonging to George Stiffert and drove in it to a saloon. When he came out of the saloon there were four other Ford cars parked in the street. Mitchell cranked the wrong one and the owner, seeing him, called a policeman. The officer found Mitchell's gun in the car he had stolen and placed him under arrest.

Two years was the penalty exacted of Ernest Kinney, eighteen years old, for theft of a Ford belonging to E. D. Watkins, 708 East Ninth street. Kinney pleaded guilty to grand larceny.

TO ELECT CONGRESSMAN GLASS' SUCCESSOR FEB. 25

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 22.—Governor Davis has designated February 25 as the date for the election of a Congressman in the Sixth district of Virginia.

The election will be for the purpose of naming a successor to Carter Glass, who resigned from Congress recently to accept the position of Secretary of the Treasury, owing to the resignation of William G. McAdoo.

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